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## SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97, AND 1.98

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.56, the references on the attached Form PTO/SB/08 are being brought to the attention of the Examiner for consideration in connection with the examination of the above-identified patent application.

The references listed on the attached Form PTO/SB/08 were made of record in a corresponding European application. The Applicant is attaching a copy of the Supplementary European Search Report from the corresponding application as well as copies of the documents cited within.

The Applicant notes that references DE 87 05 794 (F2) and FR 2 562 591 (F3) cited on Form PTO/SB/08 are in a foreign language; however, to meet the duty of disclosure, the Applicant has also included a copy of a Supplementary European Search Report showing the relevancy of each of these cited references.

The undersigned hereby certifies that each item of information contained in this statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

In accordance with 37 CFR §1.56, Applicant hereby requests that the references cited in the Supplementary European Search Report and listed on the attached Form PTO/SB/08 be made of record and considered in the examination of the subject application.

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner indicate consideration of the cited references by returning a copy of the attached Form PTO/SB/08 with initials or other appropriate marks.

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Applicants respectfully assert that the substantive provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98 are met by the foregoing statements.

Respectfully submitted.

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Supplementary European Search Report

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